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Dear Miss Weston,

Your letter was delayed on the road by some envious spirit, so that it did not reach me until the deed was done. This noon Mr. Smith handed it me from pro-slavery hands, which probably accounts for its tardiness. I could have said how unfortunate, how provoking, what ill luck; but I remembered the rule, which you or Mr. May repeated the other day on our way to the Grove, never to be troubled about things we could *not* help, or things we could help, and said nothing; but I cannot forbear expressing to you my disappointment. I should certainly have gone, had I received the intelligence in season. I think we ought to have notice of Mr. Phillips's movements in the Liberator. It might be as interesting as it was to the French to know when the King was a going to hunt, and when do nothing. I hope

I forgot to tell you that we have a distinguished Phrenologist here among us and you must come and have your head examined. he has been into teeth S.

school & he thinks ~~that~~ the characters of the boys are very accurately drawn.

your exertions to rally your friends were generally succeſsful, and that you were rewarded for your efforts by seeing them warmed, by the living coals of truth.' I was glad to hear that you got home safe, & that your day of satisfactions was not crowned by a broken limb. The day I think went off remarkably well. Many of the ladies were full of their regrets, that the coffee was not made sooner and more abundantly. I only regret that some lady did not addreſs Mr. Adams instead of Mr Loring. I think a few simple heartfelt expreſsions from a woman, would have been much more appropriate, than all Mr. L's figure and declamation. I have just heard that the Honorables Peleg Sprague, & Solomon Lincoln, went prepared to addreſs the ladies, but were not called upon, so of course could not make a speech. I can't for the life of me think what they could have said upon the occasion. Mr Adams's letter to

Mr. Quincy in the Liberator is a fine one. He comes out more fully an Abolitionist I think than he ever has done before. I am almost afraid that he will be too much of an Abolitionist to be returned to Congreſs again. I have read the little book that you gave me Mogg Megone, with much interest; some of the passages are very beautiful & I prize them more because you have marked them. I have within a few days, been looking over Mrs. M. W. Montagues letters. They have been very celebrated but I never read them before. I am struck with the tone of flattery which runs through the letters of friends, at the time that she lived. A well turned compliment now and then, I do not object to, but pretty much all the letters, that were written in the time of Pope, are filled with fulsome flattery. I am glad the style of letter writing, has somewhat changed within the last hundred-

I do not know how, or when, this

will reach you. I could send a letter
to the Sandwich Islands with as lit-
tle trouble to myself as to Weymouth.
Maria & Almira send their love. My
anxiety increases for Almira daily.

Your sincere friend,

E. A. S. Smith.

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